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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1 (Currently Amended) A method for customizing tags in digital images captured with an image capture device that stores the digital images in image files, each image file including one or more image tags each having a corresponding first pre-defined function, the method comprising:

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- (a) storing a key ID and a definition on a server in a network, the one or more definitions definition for altering the corresponding first pre-defined function of at least one of the one or more image tags to create one or more custom tags for one or more of the image files, each custom tag having a second function that is different from the corresponding first pre-defined function;
 - (b) receiving a plurality of the image files at the server over the network, wherein each of the image files includes image data, the key ID, and the one or more custom tags containing data; and
 - (c) automatically recognizing the image files by the key ID and using the corresponding stored definition to extract the data from the one or more custom tags to make the data available to a user along with the image data.